

Application No. 09/768,912

REMARKS

Claim 11 has been canceled herein. Upon entry of this amendment, Claims 9, 10, 12, and 25 will be pending in the above-identified application. Applicant gratefully acknowledges the allowance of claims 9, 10, 12, and 25.

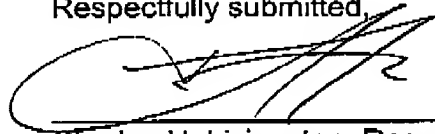
CONCLUSION

If the Examiner believes that there is any issue which could be resolved by an interview, please contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

As the application is believed to be in condition for allowance, a favorable action and Notice of Allowance are respectfully requested.

Dated: January 19, 2005

Respectfully submitted,



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